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In re Application of)
Kumar et al.) Art Unit: 1637
Application No. 10/072,666) Examiner: Suryaprabha Chunduru
Filing Date: February 8, 2002) Confirmation No. 3290
For: DETECTION METHOD USING)
DISSOCIATED ROLLING)
CIRCLE AMPLIFICATION)

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on April 19, 2004, please consider the following remarks.

Remarks

Claims 1-138 are pending. Claims 137 and 138 have been withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected invention. Applicant gratefully acknowledges withdrawal of the prior rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 1, 12-113 and 118-136 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Kingsmore et al. (U.S. Pat. No. 6,531,283). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

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